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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Application No.: 10/053,877

Group No.: 2877

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For: UNIVERSAL DETECTOR FOR BIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL SEPARATIONS OR  
ASSAYS USING PLASTIC MICROFLUIDIC DEVICES

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)**

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

**TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE**

2. This request is being submitted:

Prior to payment of issue fee.

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## ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith are:

- A) An information disclosure statement (37 C.F.R. § 1.98)  
Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08B)
- B) An amendment

## FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of small entity (and status is still as small entity).

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: 385.00

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col.1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY			
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE		
TOTAL	27	—	20 = 7	x \$ 9.00	= \$	63.00	
INDEP.	4	—	3 = 1	x \$ 43.00	= \$	43.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 145.00	= \$	0.00	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE					\$	106.00	

Total additional fee required is \$106.00

## EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

**TOTAL FEE(S) DUE**

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$385.00
Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	\$106.00
Total Fee(s) Due:	\$491.00

**PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE**

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

Check is attached for the sum of \$491.00.

Please charge any required additional fee(s) for § 1.17(e), § 1.16(b)-(d) and/or § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to Account 10-1213.

**INVENTORSHIP**

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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